

UNCLE ZEKE ZOUNDS

MAN EATING TEXTILES(?)

The meek shall meeker be;
The high shall higher fly;
So it's all the same, you see,
We'll get our'n by and by.
—ZEKE ZOUNDS.

"Ezekiel, do you believe all the Good Book says?" asked Mrs. Zounds, as she brought her swatter down with a vicious whack upon a fly that was trying to locate winter quarters in the warmth of the sitting room.

"Shore I do, Miranda, shore I do," said Uncle Zeke, "but I'll be jiggered if I can figure out who the 'meek' are supposed to be. According to Webster, 'meek' means lowly, one who has patience, and so forth. Now, Job was a man who had more than his share of patience, so I guess he was somewhat meek; but I can't find any place where he inherited the earth, and the Bible says the meek shall inherit the earth. A man becomes pretty meek when he's dead; at least he

does not kick any on what is going on around him; so it may be that the six feet of earth we are all entitled to is really what is meant. But even an animal is entitled to that much, if it escapes the soap vat and sausage mill. So, I don't know about this here meek business. If I'd been too meek and not sorter butted in, I wouldn't have got my appointment to attend the world's fair."

"Why, Ezekiel, going to the world's fair and the whole show so near over? Who appointed you to go?"

"Mr. John Cunningham, our commissioner, of course. Wants me to go out and look after Missouri's exhibits at the Hall of Textiles. Soon they'll be to pack and ship back home, and he thinks I'm the man for the job."

"What do you know about them?" asked Mrs. Zounds, as she made a swat at another fly that was seeking the inviting

warmth of the room.

"Them what?" inquired Uncle Zeke.

"Them textiles," replied Mrs. Zounds. "When were you ever an animal trainer? Why, if you looked crossed at a textile it would jump at you with a snarl and chase you clean out of its cage."

Uncle Zeke gave Mrs. Zounds a blankety-blank look. "Miranda, how you talk!" he said, mockingly. "Why, I trained man eating textiles when I was a boy. We had the fiercest cross bred textiles on our farm over in West Tennessee that you ever heard tell of. Them textiles, mind you, were crossed with the fierce, or man eating fabrics. I guess that will convince you how little I fear a Missouri textile that has been penned up at the Frisco fair all summer."

"That's like you, Ezekiel, not to be skeered of nothing, but I never thought it was in you to go so far from home to manage such textiles as I expect them is at Frisco. I expect Missouri selected her best ones, and that means they must be sixteen feet high, or maybe more. Now, here comes Bernie Stockmann, the butcher, delivering that pork roast I ordered. He knows so much about animals of just one sort and then another, I'm gonna ask him to come in and explain what a textile is."

"Vell, I knowed someding vas up," said Bernie, as he limped into the room and laid a package of brown paper on the piano stool. "Ven I seed Mr. Zounds with a smile like a Georgia vatermillion I knowed someding vas didding, but I didn't t'ink you'd vent to the exposition to enter fearlessly the Hall of Textiles and make dose fierce animicules yump through the hoop! You wouldn't kotch me doin' it!"

"Did you ever see any textiles, Bernie," asked Uncle Zeke.

"Who, me?" replied Bernie, solemnly shaking his head. "I guess I ain't afraid of the whole world, because I'm a Cherman. But I tell you I seed pictures of dings vat came from Texas—horned toads, tarantums, spiders, centripedes, and volosopedes, vat has a dousand legs and a stinger on every von, and cows mit horns so vide to hook cow fellers—" Bernie illustrating with outstretched arms—"so it's no vonder them Texas cow fellers in the movie at Dorris' Theatre wear leather pants, mit vool outside, and carry them big revolvers! By gollies, to have to ride even on horseback vere them kind of animicules is! Not for anyting vould I do it!"

"You never hunted textiles, then?" asked Mrs. Zounds.

"No," replied Bernie, "and I ain't going to, either. But I tell you vat, he added, "I don't t'ink it right of no World's Fair Commissioner to send a fellow vat has a family out to Texas to fight and halter up them textiles."

"That's just what I says, Bernie, and here's Zeke Zounds whistling and laughing 'bout it as if he was uste to eating textiles for breakfast—scat, thar! you black textile!" yelled Mrs. Zounds, as she flung her fly swatter at the black cat, which had pulled the package of fresh meat from the piano stool where Bernie had placed it when he came in.

Among those from Caruthersville who attended the foot ball game in this city last Friday were: Ben M. Tinsley, Judge J. M. Brasher, Rev. E. H. Orear, Geo. Alvey, True Langdon, Gus McAllister, Geo. Tinsley, Joe Teror, Scott Ferrell, Jack and Hunt Hart, Gilbert and Cartner Pierce and Paris Cunningham. Misses Flora Hart, Bernice Rodgers, Beatrice Garrett, Mary Bryant, Allie Adams, Margaret Wilks, Etta Sawyer and Mrs. Frank Cunningham and daughter, Miss Edna.

Queer Quirks of News.

Washington, D. C. — Margaret Kerfoot, a government employee, holds the record for accuracy. She has been in the Bureau of Printing and Engraving for thirty years, in charge of twenty-five men and responsible for the consignments of postage stamps to the offices throughout the county. Last year she consigned twelve billion of stamps to post-offices without a single error.

Steele, N. D.—In a thunderstorm here recently, lightning struck the barn of Ed Heusted and burned all the hair off a bird dog which had taken refuge there.

Carlton, Okla.—For 75 years J. M. Haigler has gone barefooted and to that fact attributes his old age and the fact that he never has an ache or a pain. He is as prankish as a boy of 17, although the father of five huge sons. He refuses to wear shoes even when he visits large cities.

Rockwell City, Ia.—A ditcher brought into a newspaper office at this place a two-headed snake which he had stepped on accidentally. One head was where nature intended it to be, and the other was at the end of the tail. Both were perfectly formed, but one was larger, and the snake crawled in that direction more frequently, although at times the tail head seemed to be trying to have it crawl in its direction.

New Rochelle, N. Y. For 10 years John Cabot Lewis, 30 years, and Helen Fales, 28, have lived next door to each other and were apparently deeply in love. John would go to New York to work each morning and Helen would meet him at the train when he returned in the evening. The other day John confessed to Helen's father that they had been married for ten years, but that both had been afraid to tell Mr. Fales.

Washington, Pa. — Divorced, married and fatally stricken with paralysis is one day's record of John W. Wise of East Washington. Immediately after receiving his divorce, Wise met Miss Julia Elizabeth Scott, who agreed to marry him. He was stricken at the altar and his physician says he cannot live.

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J. V. Chilton, one of the good farmers on Route 1, was in town Monday, bringing a load of cotton, and of course did not fail to stop us on the streets and pay for the Herald for another year.

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